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MINING LAW.

Laws of Congress Governing the Location, Holding and Working of Mining Claims on Public Domain.

Below will be found an abstract of the Mining Laws of the United States, as passed by Congress and approved May 10, 1872. These are the latest, and hence the only mining laws of general interest and force, with the single exception of a portion of section 5, in reference to the relocation of claims and mines located prior to the passage of the general mining law. The Act amending the section, although it will also be found, following the general law modifying section 5, so that a claim located prior to May 10, 1872, is not subject to relocation until June 10, 1874.

AN ACT to promote the development of the Mining Resources of the United States.
Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all valuable mineral deposits in lands belonging to the United States, both surveyed and unsurveyed, are hereby declared to be free and open to exploration and purchase, and the lands in which they are found to occupation and purchase by citizens of the United States.

Sec. 1. That the location of a mining claim on the public domain shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this act, and no other law, regulation, or custom, shall be observed in the location of a mining claim, except in so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

Sec. 2. That mining claims upon veins or lodes of quartz, or other rock, or other valuable deposits hereof, located, shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this act, and no other law, regulation, or custom, shall be observed in the location of a mining claim, except in so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

Sec. 3. That the location of a mining claim on the public domain shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this act, and no other law, regulation, or custom, shall be observed in the location of a mining claim, except in so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

Sec. 4. That where a tunnel is run for the development of a vein or lode, the owner of the tunnel shall be entitled to the right of possession of all vein or lode within the limits of the tunnel, and no other person shall be entitled to the right of possession of any vein or lode within the limits of the tunnel.

Sec. 5. That the location of a mining claim on the public domain shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this act, and no other law, regulation, or custom, shall be observed in the location of a mining claim, except in so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

Sec. 6. That a patent for any land claimed and located under this act, shall be obtained in the following manner: Any person who has located a claim under this act, and who has complied with the provisions of this act, and who has paid the required fees, shall be entitled to a patent for the land claimed.

Sec. 7. That where an adverse claim shall be made during the period of publication, the claimant shall be entitled to the right of possession of the land claimed, and no other person shall be entitled to the right of possession of any land claimed.

Sec. 8. That the location of a mining claim on the public domain shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this act, and no other law, regulation, or custom, shall be observed in the location of a mining claim, except in so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

tion thereof as the applicant shall appear, from the decision of the court, to rightly possess. If it shall appear from the decision of the court that several parties are entitled to separate and different portions of the claim, each party may pay for his portion of the claim, and the court shall certify the proceedings and judgment-roll to the Commissioner of the Land Office, as in the preceding case, and patents shall be issued to several parties according to their respective rights. Proof of citizenship under this act, or under any other act, shall be made by the applicant, and no other person shall be entitled to the right of possession of any land claimed.

Sec. 9. That the description of vein or lode claims, upon surveyed lands, shall not conform therewith, but where a patent is issued as aforesaid for claims upon unsurveyed lands, the Surveyor General in extending the survey, shall add the same to the plat of the survey, and the plat of the survey shall be the basis of the location of a mining claim, and no other law, regulation, or custom, shall be observed in the location of a mining claim, except in so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

Sec. 10. That the location of a mining claim on the public domain shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this act, and no other law, regulation, or custom, shall be observed in the location of a mining claim, except in so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

Sec. 11. That the location of a mining claim on the public domain shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this act, and no other law, regulation, or custom, shall be observed in the location of a mining claim, except in so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

Sec. 12. That the location of a mining claim on the public domain shall be made in accordance with the provisions of this act, and no other law, regulation, or custom, shall be observed in the location of a mining claim, except in so far as the same may be applicable and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States.

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